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DIGIMON XROS WARS

IN A HUMAN FORM, IN THE HUMAN WORLD... CURRENTLY ENJOYING THEMSELVES!!!

第13話 XROS MEMORIES!! THE BOYS' OLD DAYS!!

BEFORE WE GOT LOST IN THE DIGITAL WORLD...!!
THIS IS ...
MORE THAN TWO MONTHS ...
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WHA... WHAT IS ALL OF THIS!?
DID WE RETURN TO THE HUMAN WORLD OF THE PAST!?
THE DATE IN MY CELLPHONE HAS INDEED CHANGED AS WELL...
N... NOT ONLY THAT, I KIND OF REMEMBER THAT NEWS JUST NOW...!?
WHA... WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT, TAIKI! THERE'S NO WAY YOU COULD'VE TRAVELLED BACK IN TIME, RIGHT!?
SURE THEY DIDN'T GET THE DATE WRONG OR SOMETHING?
WA... WAIT A MINUTE!!

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HMM...
THAT'S RIGHT! TAIKI... COULD I BORROW YOUR XROS LOADER FOR A MOMENT?
BUT I'VE NEVER HEARD OF TIME ACTUALLY GOING BACKWARDS!?
IT'S SAID TO BE CAUSED BY FLUCTUATIONS IN THE PROCESSING SPEED OF DATA IN THE DIGITAL WORLD, BUT...
THE SPEED OF TIME FLOW OF THE HUMAN WORLD AND THE DIGITAL WORLD IS NOT CONSTANT.
BEFORE THAT, TIME FLOWED FASTER IN THE DIGITAL WORLD...
BY LOOKING AT THE LOG HERE, THE HUMAN WORLD AND THE DIGITAL WORLD'S FLOW OF TIME WAS ROUGHLY THE SAME DURING THESE FEW MONTHS.
THE OTHER POSSIBILITY I CAN THINK OF IS...
IT MEANS THAT... WE DID NOT END UP IN THE HUMAN WORLD OF THE PAST DUE TO THE MOVEMENT THROUGH SPACE-TIME JUST NOW.
... IF THAT'S THE CASE ...
?... WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?
HOWEVER... THE SUDDEN CHANGE IN PASSAGE OF TIME THAT WE WENT THROUGH WHILE MOVING THROUGH SPACE-TIME JUST NOW ISN'T RECORDED HERE...

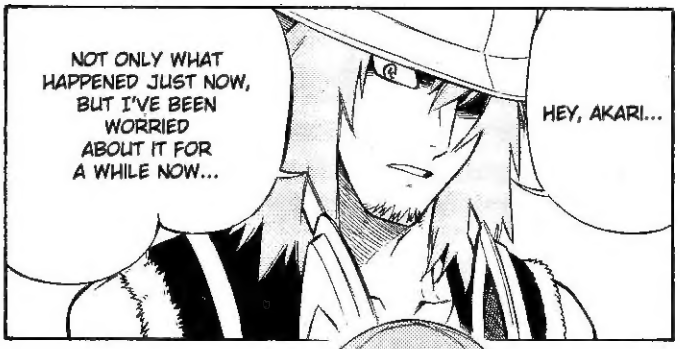
D...
DO YOU MEAN THAT THEY MOVED FROM THE HUMAN WORLD OF THE FUTURE TO THE DIGITAL WORLD OF THE PAST!?
B...
BUT WHAT ABOUT SHOUTMON'S MELODY IN THE XROS LOADER THEN? DON'T TELL ME THAT CAME FROM THE PAST TOO...!?
IT CAN'T BE...
WHAT BROUGHT US TO THE DIGITAL WORLD THEN WASN'T THE XROS LOADER'S POWER...
IT WAS THAT VOICE OF THE LIGHT THAT BROUGHT US AND SHOUTMON TOGETHER AND LED US TO THE DIGITAL WORLD...!!
T...
THE CONVERSATION BECAME SO COMPLICATED ALL OF A SUDDEN...
IS IT DUE TO THAT TIME WHEN WE FIRST WANDERED INTO THE DIGITAL WORLD...!!?
WE CAME TO THE HUMAN WORLD TO LOOK FOR SECRETS ABOUT THE DIGITAL WORLD, BUT THE IT'S THE OPPOSITE NOW!
HUH? THEN...
THE PAST ME THAT WALKED BY JUST NOW...

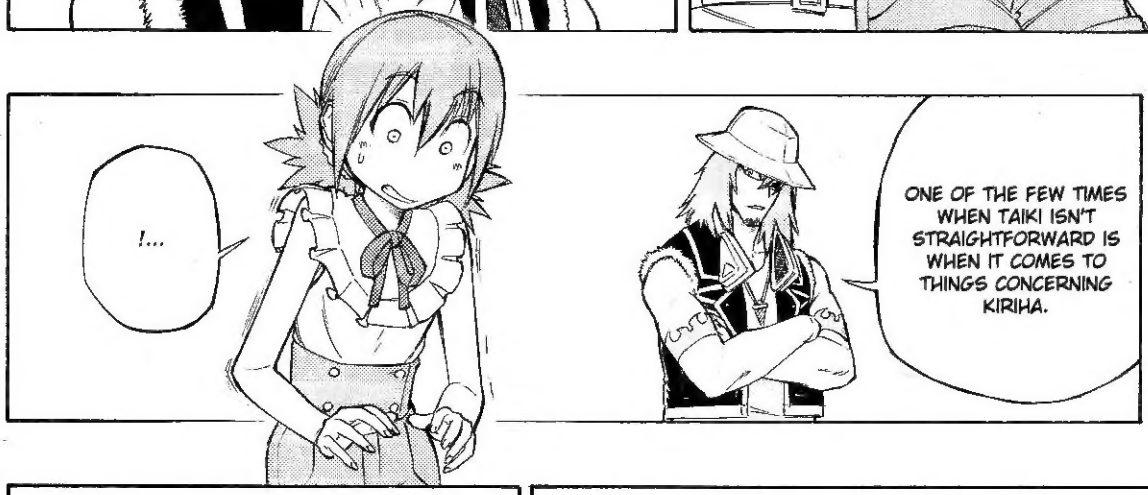
AKARI...
SORRY!
HUH?
...?
AH...! TODAY IS...!?
COULD YOU HELP GUIDE EVERYONE ELSE AROUND FOR A WHILE MORE!?
I HAVE SOMEWHERE I'VE GOT TO GO RIGHT NOW!!

...?
...AH...!
WHAT'S WRONG? GOING OFF IN SUCH A HURRY...
WE'LL MEET UP ON THE ROOFTOP WE WERE AT JUST NOW!!
LATER!!
WHAT HAPPENED ALL OF A SUDDEN!?
EH, TAIKI!?

WASN'T TAIKI ACTING RATHER WEIRD JUST NOW, KYU...?
HE INDEED ISN'T HIS USUAL SELF...
NOT ONLY THAT...

I SEE...! TODAY IS THAT DAY...!!


HEY, AKARI...
NOT ONLY WHAT HAPPENED JUST NOW, BUT I'VE BEEN WORRIED ABOUT IT FOR A WHILE NOW...


ONE OF THE FEW TIMES WHEN TAIKI ISN'T STRAIGHTFORWARD IS WHEN IT COMES TO THINGS CONCERNING KIRIHA.
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IT'S TRUE THAT TAIKI ONLY ACTS THAT WAY TOWARDS KIRIHA...
BUT SOMEHOW IN THE END... TAIKI JUST REFUSES TO ACKNOWLEDGE KIRIHA.

THE TAIKI I KNOW IS A GOOD-WILLED PERSON TO THE CORE WHO, AS LONG AS HE CAN FIND A BIT OF TRUST IN AN OPPONENT, HE WILL TRY TO TRUST THEM EVEN IF HE GETS BETRAYED ONCE OR TWICE. DURING THE BATTLE IN RAIN ZONE, HE SHOULD'VE FELT SOME OF KIRIHA'S MORALS AS THEY FOUGHT TOGETHER...

AKARI, YOU'RE TAIKI'S CHILDHOOD FRIEND, RIGHT?
DO YOU KNOW SOMETHING ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON?
...
...
YEAH ...
I KNOW.
FOLLOW ME...
I THINK YOU'LL UNDERSTAND BETTER IF YOU MEET THAT PERSON FACE TO FACE...
!

TATSUYA...!

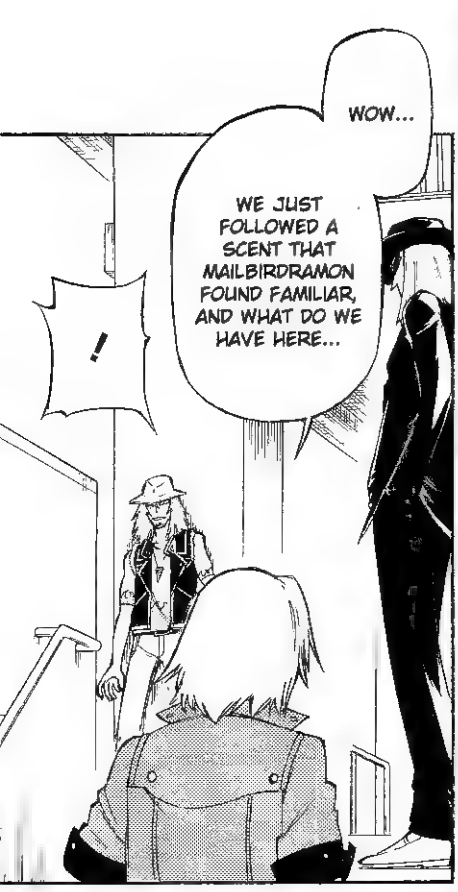
DAMMIT...! WHAT ARE YOU DOING...
QUICKLY GO AND APOLOGIZE...!

I KNEW IT, IT'S THIS DAY...!

EVEN IF HE WON'T FORGIVE YOU...
THAT'S WHAT YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO DO RIGHT NOW...!!
TATSUYA...?
YOU MEAN THAT KID IN THE WHEELCHAIR?
YES, HE'S TAIKI'S ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FRIEND...
HE AND TAIKI WERE BOTH CHOSEN FOR THE TRACK MEET, BUT...
HIS LEGS GOT INJURED BADLY AND HE BECAME UNABLE TO WALK AGAIN...
IS THERE ANY RELATION BETWEEN TAIKI AND THAT INJURY?
!!
...YEAH...

NO WAY...!
YOU CAN'T BE TALKING ABOUT BROTHER!
I'M SURPRISED TAIKI CAN EVEN TALK TO AKARI SO FREELY ABOUT THIS...
HE WAS AFRAID TO MEET HIM AND DIDN'T MEET HIM IN THE END...
TAIKI WAS SUPPOSED TO APOLOGIZE TO TATSUYA AND PROMISED TO MEET HIM HERE ON THIS DAY, BUT...

!?
SOME INTERESTING TALK WE HAVE HERE, DON'T WE?
THAT...
SO...
WHAT DOES ALL OF THIS HAVE TO DO WITH TAIKI DISLIKING KIRIHA?


WOW...
WE JUST FOLLOWED A SCENT THAT MAILBIRDRAMON FOUND FAMILIAR, AND WHAT DO WE HAVE HERE...
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WE HAPPEN TO BE QUITE INTERESTED IN THAT TOO.
YOOOOO! IT'S BEEN A WHILE, YOU GUYS!
HOW YOU DOIN'!?

KIRIHA...!!

'IT'S BEEN A WHILE'... WHO EXACTLY ARE YOU GUYS!!?
EH...!?

SO THIS GUY IN THE BLACK SUIT IS MAILBIRDRA-MON...
AND THIS HUGE GUY IS GREYMON!!?
I SEE... SO YOU USED BAROMON'S TRANSFORMATION MAGIC.
HMPH, SO YOU GUYS THOUGHT OF THE SAME THING...
WELL... THIS FORM ISN'T TOO SHABBY!!
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WHEN I HEARD THAT MY BELOVED TAIKI HAS LEFT HIS ARMY...
I CAME HERE TO TRY AND PERSUADE HIM TO COME OVER.
SO KIRIHA, DID YOU COME TO THE HUMAN WORLD TO INVESTIGATE ABOUT THE STATE OF THE DIGITAL WORLD TOO, KYU?
WHAT'RE YOU TALKING ABOUT?

I FINALLY GOT HOLD OF A CODE CROWN THAT'S CONNECTED TO THE HUMAN WORLD, AND GREYMON SAID HE WANTED TO TAKE A LOOK AT WHAT IT'S LIKE OVER THERE, SO I DECIDED TO BRING HIM OVER AND CHECK OUT HOW THINGS ARE GOING AT THE SAME TIME.
IT'S A JOKE.
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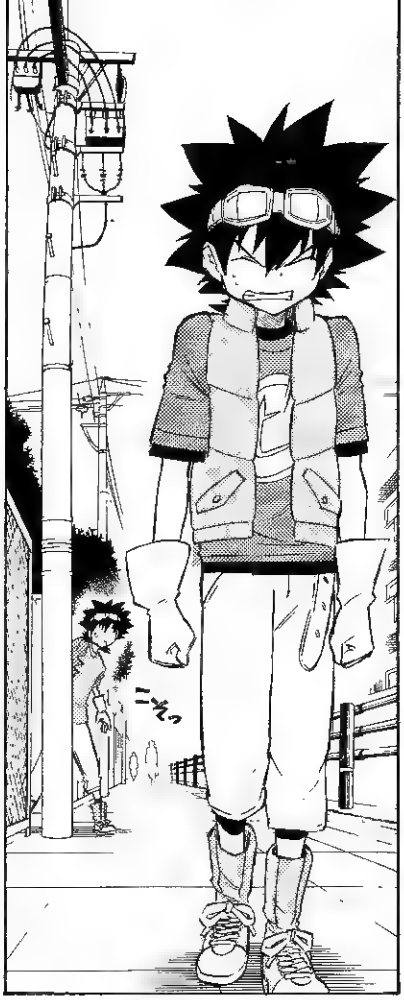
?
STOP TELLING THESE JOKES WITH A STRAIGHT FACE! EVEN WE WERE SHOCKED...
YOU STILL HAVEN'T GIVE UP?
OF COURSE NOT!
I'D LIKE TO TAKE THAT INTO ACCOUNT WHEN SCOUTING FOR HIM.
SO? HOW ABOUT CONTINUING THAT CONVERSATION YOU HAD JUST NOW ABOUT TAIKI DISLIKING ME?
WELL... I MYSELF AM DISINTERESTED IN WHAT HAPPENS IN THIS WORLD NOW ...
I HAVE NO INTENTION OF GIVING UP ON HIM UNTIL I CAN MAKE THAT MINE.
HIS BATTLE STRATEGY HAS THAT FRESHNESS THAT I DON'T...

TRUE...
HE'S BOTH QUICK MINDED AND DETERMINED, BUT HE'S LACKING IN SOME ASPECTS!
ALTHOUGH WE'VE ONLY MET FOR A FEW DAYS, HE'S A PERSON THAT GIVES YOU THAT 'I CAN'T IGNORE THEM!' KIND OF FEELING.
SIGH...
ISN'T THAT THE SAME AS WHAT DARKKNIGHT-MON SAID?
TAIKI SURE IS POPULAR.
HEY, AKARI!!
PLEASE TELL US MORE ABOUT TAIKI!!
ALL OF US CAN'T IGNORE TAIKI EITHER!
WE WANT TO BECOME OF HELP TO HIM IF HE'S TROUBLED OR SUFFERING FROM SOMETHING!!
EVERYONE...!

EVEN THOUGH NOTHING WILL COME OF FOLLOWING MYSELF AROUND...
AH... I WONDER WHAT I'M DOING ...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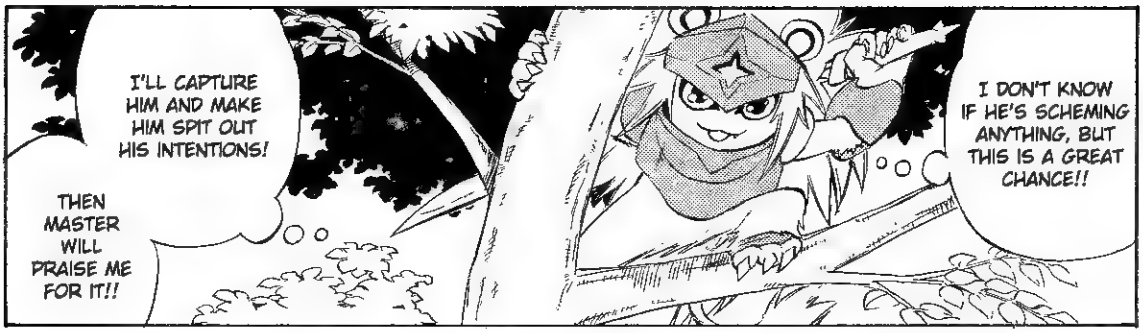
HE'S FINALLY MOVING ALONE AWAY FROM HIS COMRADES...!


I'LL CAPTURE HIM AND MAKE HIM SPIT OUT HIS INTENTIONS!
THEN MASTER WILL PRAISE ME FOR IT!!
I DON'T KNOW IF HE'S SCHEMING ANYTHING, BUT THIS IS A GREAT CHANCE!!

... I FEEL LIKE I'M BEING WATCHED BY SOMEONE ...
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HIYAAAHHH!!
'RELAX, I'M ONLY HITTING WITH THE BACK OF THE SWORD'? ALRIGHT, HERE I GO!!
HOW ABOUT I FINISH HIM WITH THESE SWORDS...

A REAL HUMAN!?
HUH...!?
THIS GUY ISN'T A DIGIMON!?
UWAAAHHH DODGE !!!!!!!!!!
EH!?
WAHH!!?
AHHH!!
OUCH!!
HEY, ARE YOU ALRIGHT!?
OWOWOW...
R...RELAX, I WAS ONLY HIT WITH THE BACK OF THE SWORD!!
D...DIGIMON!!?
WHY IS A DIGIMON HERE...!!?

THERE ARE A LOT OF PEOPLE HERE SO WHY DON'T WE GO SOMEWHERE ELSE TO TALK?
RIGHT, POOCHY ♥
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EH...?
WHAT ON EARTH ARE YOU PLANINGGGG!!
WHY WERE YOU TOGETHER WITH DIGIMON DISGUISING AS HUMANS!!
I MEAN, WHO THE HELL ARE YOU!!
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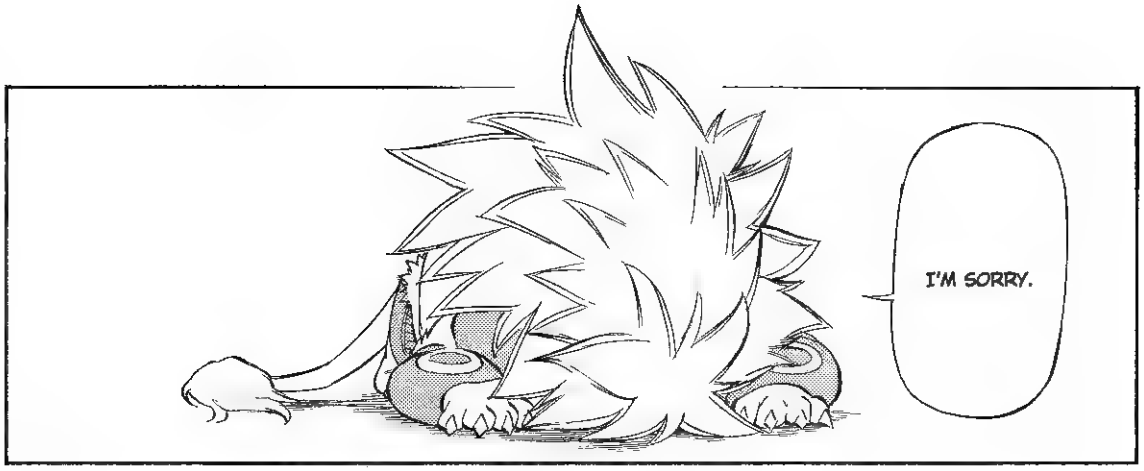
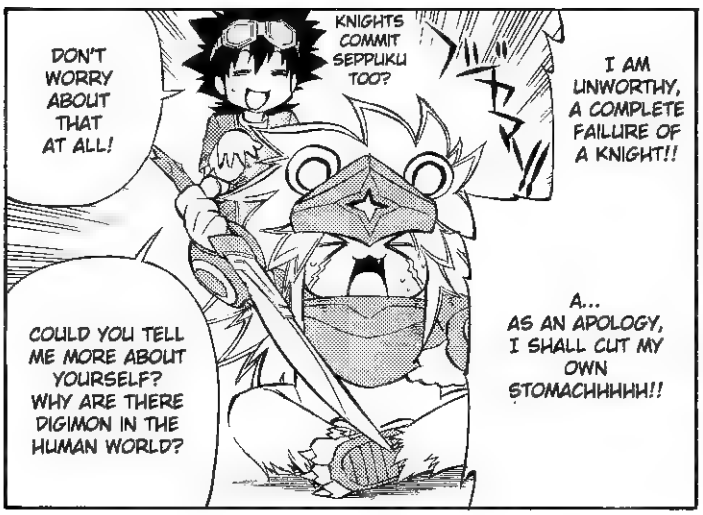
I'VE ALSO GOT A LOT I WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU, BUT...
WELL, IT'S KINDA MYSTERIOUS ...
AHH...
WAIT, DIDN'T THAT THING JUST TALK...
W... WHAT'S WITH THAT GETUP...
L... LION...? EH, BUT...
MAMA, IT'S A LION CUB!
I... I SEE... IF IT'S VENTRILOQUISM THEN IT CAN'T BE HELPED...
AHHH, BUT I'M BECOMING AN EVEN WEIRDER PERSON BY THE MINUTE...
V... VENTRILO-QUISM?
AREN'T ME AND MY PET JUST ALIKE ♥
SEE? IT WAS JUST VENTRILOQUISM
WOOF ♥
BUT...
D... DOG?


I'M SORRY.


DON'T WORRY ABOUT THAT AT ALL!
KNIGHTS COMMIT SEPPUKU TOO?
I AM UNWORTHY, A COMPLETE FAILURE OF A KNIGHT!!
A... AS AN APOLOGY, I SHALL CUT MY OWN STOMACHHHHH!!
COULD YOU TELL ME MORE ABOUT YOURSELF? WHY ARE THERE DIGIMON IN THE HUMAN WORLD?

I DIDN'T KNOW THAT YOU WERE THE GENERAL OF AN ARMY FIGHTING AGAINST THE BAGRA ARMY... TO THINK THAT I WOULD MISTAKE YOU FOR ONE OF THEIR UNDERLINGS...!!
SLEEPING IN A KOWTOW POSE?

I GOT CAUGHT IN THE DESTRUCTION OF THE DIGITAL WORLD DURING THE BAGRA ARMY'S INVASION... I WAS SENT FLYING TO THE HUMAN WORLD TOGETHER WITH MY MASTER, AND SINCE THEN WE WERE UNABLE TO RETURN!
EH...!?

YES!
MY NAME IS SPADAMON!!
I AM ONE OF THE KNIGHT APPRENTICES THAT SERVE THE GREAT ROYAL KNIGHTS!

I WAS VERY WORRIED ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED TO THE DIGITAL WORLD AFTER THAT WAR... BUT I'M RELIEVED AFTER HEARING THAT IT'S MORE OR LESS OKAY!
I FEAR THAT A FEW HUNDRED YEARS HAVE PASSED OVER THERE.
AT THAT TIME, THE SPEED OF PROCESSING DATA IN THE DIGITAL WORLD BECAME VERY ACTIVE, SO...
YOU... YOU MEAN, SINCE THE TIME WHEN THE DIGITAL WORLD WAS DIVIDED INTO THE MANY ZONES!? HOW LONG AGO DID THAT HAPPEN, EXACTLY!?
IN THE HUMAN WORLD, MERELY A FEW YEARS PASSED SINCE THEN, HOWEVER...
T-THIS KID...
YOU MEAN HE ACTUALLY WITNESSED THE BEGINNING OF THAT WAR...!?
PLEASE FOLLOW ME, TAIKI.
I'D LIKE YOU TO MEET UP WITH MY MASTER!!
NOT ONLY THAT, I WAS SURPRISED TO HEAR THAT YOU, A HUMAN, ARE LEADING AN ARMY OF DIGIMON!
WHAT HAPPENED FOR THINGS TO TURN OUT THIS WAY?
MASTER!?
EH?
AH... IF YOU'RE TALKING ABOUT HOW IT STARTED, IT WAS JUST A COINCIDENCE!
THAT'S RIGHT! MY MASTER IS ONE OF THE HOLY KNIGHT DIGIMON THAT PROTECT THE ORDER OF THE DIGITAL WORLD! HE'LL DEFINITELY BE DELIGHTED TO HEAR ABOUT YOU FIGHTING THE BAGRA ARMY!!

IS THAT A POWERFUL WEAPON OF SOME SORT?
WHATEVER IT IS, THAT'S REASSURING TO HEAR!
I JUST HAPPENED TO RECEIVE THIS XROS LOADER...
AND I STARTED BY LENDING MY POWER AS A GENERAL TO THE DIGIMON IN THE VILLAGE OF SMILES.
XROS LOADER?
GENERAL?
!?...
HE DOESN'T KNOW ABOUT THEM...?
RIGHT NOW, ALTHOUGH HE'S SOMEONE WHO ALWAYS CAN'T IGNORE OTHERS AND WORKS HARD FOR THEM, WHILE NOT CARING FOR HIMSELF...
ABOUT TAIKI...
IN THE PAST, HE WAS THE TYPE THAT WOULD INVOLVE OTHERS FOR THE SAKE OF THE THINGS HE WANTED TO DO.

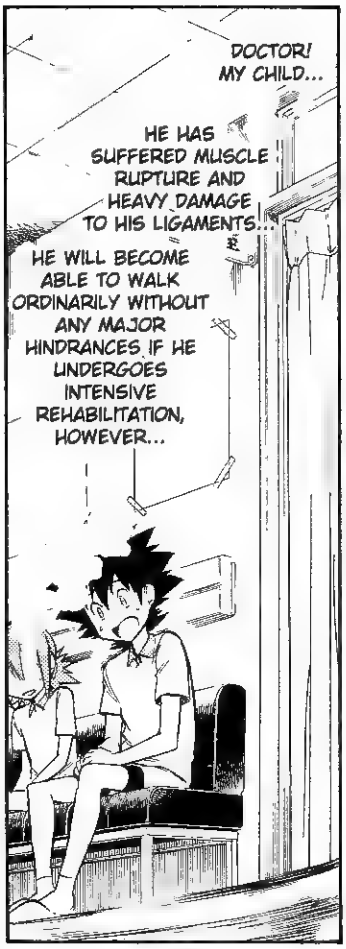
...
THOSE TIMES WERE JUST SO BUSY...
AH, I GUESS THAT HASN'T REALLY CHANGED EVEN NOW.
ON TOP OF THAT, HE WOULD CONTINUE DOING THEM AT THE SAME TIME WITHOUT GIVING UP ON ANY OF THEM HALFWAY, AND HE WAS QUITE MEAN AT THAT TIME...
AND AT NIGHT, HE WOULD WANT TO BECOME A FIGHTING GAME CHAMPION...
HE WOULD IMMEDIATELY GET SUCKED INTO ANYTHING HE HAD INTEREST IN.
IN THE MORNING, HE WOULD WANT TO BECOME AN ADVENTURER...
IN THE AFTERNOON, HE WOULD WANT TO BECOME A PRO BASEBALL PLAYER...
AND HE SET OUT FROM THE RIVER MOUTH OF SUMIDA RIVER WITH A HANDMADE RAFT... AT THAT TIME...
THE WORST THING THAT HAPPENED WAS WHEN HE SAID "IF I RIDE THIS SEA CURRENT, I CAN GO ALL THE WAY TO AMERICA!"
Y... YOU SURE WORKED HARD BACK THEN TOO, AKARI...
AH... WHEN I THINK OF THAT, MY STOMACH...
... AT THAT TIME, IF I'M NOT WRONG... HE WAS MISSING FOR TWO DAYS AND WAS FINALLY SECURED BY THE JAPAN COAST GUARD BOAT JUST AS HE WAS ABOUT TO EXIT TOKYO BAY, CAUSING A HUGE FUSS...
AWWW, AND I THOUGHT I COULD REACH THERE...

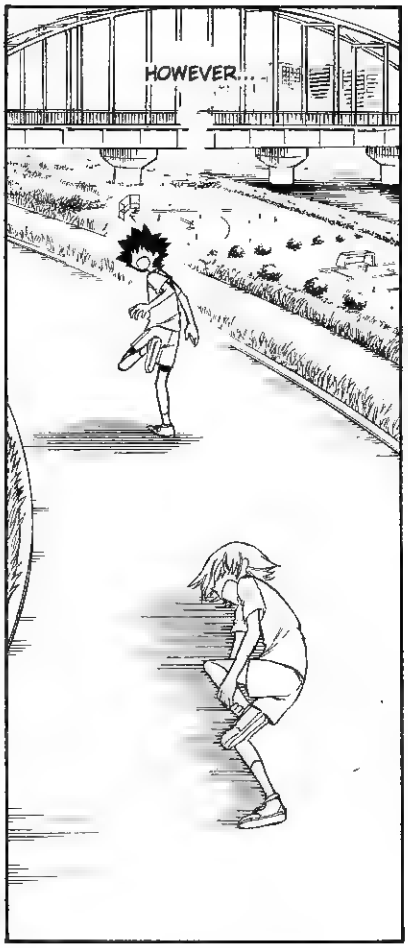
IT SOMEWHAT ...
ALSO GIVES ME A VERY TAIKI-LIKE FEELING...
THAT'S DEFINITELY ...
DIFFERENT FROM THE IMAGE OF THE TAIKI THAT WE KNOW ...
...BUT...
HEHE...
BECAUSE OF THAT, HE WOULD ALWAYS INVOLVE A LOT OF PEOPLE INTO THE HUGE FUSS THAT HE CAUSES.
... BUT MOST OF THE TIME, IT WOULD JUST END WITH EVERYBODY LAUGHING IT AWAY.
BUT IT WAS DIFFERENT FOR THAT TIME...
AT THAT TIME, TAIKI GOT INTERESTED IN THE TRACK EVENT...
AND HE JOINED THE DISTRICT'S TRACK MEET AS A PARTICIPANT, SAYING 'I'LL BECOME THE FIRST JAPANESE 100-METRE GOLD MEDALLIST'.
TATSUYA WOULD ALSO JOIN TAIKI FOR RUNNING...

SHOULD I CALL THEM RIVALS...
IT WAS DIFFERENT WHEN HE HAD SOMEBODY ELSE WITH THE SAME DREAM TO COMPETE WITH. THE TWO OF THEM CONTINUED RUNNING UNTIL THE END OF THE DAY...
THIS WAS DIFFERENT FROM THE TIMES WHEN HE DID ALL THE THINGS THAT HE WANTED TO ALONE...
IT SURPRISED ALL OF US HOW TIME FLEW!

BUT HE WAS QUICK WHEN TAIKI CALLED TO HIM!
ALTHOUGH HE USED TO BE QUITE RESERVED AND WITHDRAWN...

I AM NOT SURE HE'LL BE ABLE TO EVER TAKE PART IN INTENSIVE RUNNING ACTIVITIES SUCH AS TRACK MEETS AGAIN...


DOCTOR! MY CHILD...
HE HAS SUFFERED MUSCLE RUPTURE AND HEAVY DAMAGE TO HIS LIGAMENTS...
HE WILL BECOME ABLE TO WALK ORDINARILY WITHOUT ANY MAJOR HINDRANCES IF HE UNDERGOES INTENSIVE REHABILITATION, HOWEVER...


HOWEVER...

I GUESS YOU COULD SAY THAT TATSUYA OVERWORKED HIMSELF ...
THE TWO OF THEM WERE HAVING SO MUCH FUN RUNNING... THEY EVEN PRACTICED WHILE HIDING THE FACT FROM THE TEACHER.
TAIKI WAS ALRIGHT BECAUSE HE WAS USUALLY INVOLVED IN DIFFERENT KINDS OF SPORTS ...
BUT FOR TATSUYA, WHO DID NOT EXERCISE HIS BODY AS MUCH, IT WAS TOO MUCH FOR HIS BODY TO KEEP UP...
FROM THEN ON, TAIKI NEVER REALLY TALKED ABOUT WHAT HE WANTED TO DO OR BECOME.
ON THE CONTRARY, WHEN HE SEES SOMEONE IN NEED...
ESPECIALLY WHEN HE SEES SOMEONE SUFFERING WHILE TRYING TO TACKLE THEIR PROBLEMS WITH ALL THEIR MIGHT... HE WOULD TRY TO HELP THEM NO MATTER WHAT...
I GOT OTHER PEOPLE INVOLVED AND HURT FOR THE SAKE OF MY OWN DREAM...
SO THAT'S WHAT TAIKI WAS THINKING.
WITH HIS PERSONALITY, HE'D RATHER GET HIMSELF HURT THAN SEE SOMEONE ELSE GET HURT...
I SEE... I THOUGHT HE WAS JUST SOFT-HEARTED, AND NEVER ACTUALLY THOUGHT OF HIM GOING THAT FAR...
HOW STUPID...

I THOUGHT I COULD GET A CLUE OR SOMETHING AS TO HOW I COULD RECRUIT HIM, BUT...
WHAT A LETDOWN!!
WE'RE LEAVING...!!
GIVING UP ON A DREAM DUE TO A REASON LIKE THAT...!?
THAT'S WHY HE DOESN'T LIKE THE WAY I DO THINGS!? HMPH...!!
WH... WHAT'S WITH YOU ALL OF A SUDDEN...
TAIKI...
I THINK THAT TAIKI ACTUALLY ENVIES KIRIHA, WHO CONTINUES TO CHASE HIS DREAM REGARDLESS OF GETTING HIMSELF OR OTHERS HURT IN THE PROCESS ...
BUT... HE COULDN'T FORGIVE HIMSELF FOR HAVING LIVED THE SAME WAY.
...BUT...
BUT ...
THAT SHOULDN'T BE THE WAY...!!
SHOULDN'T SOMEONE LIKE TAIKI BE LIVING TO CHASE AFTER HIS OWN DREAMS INSTEAD...!!

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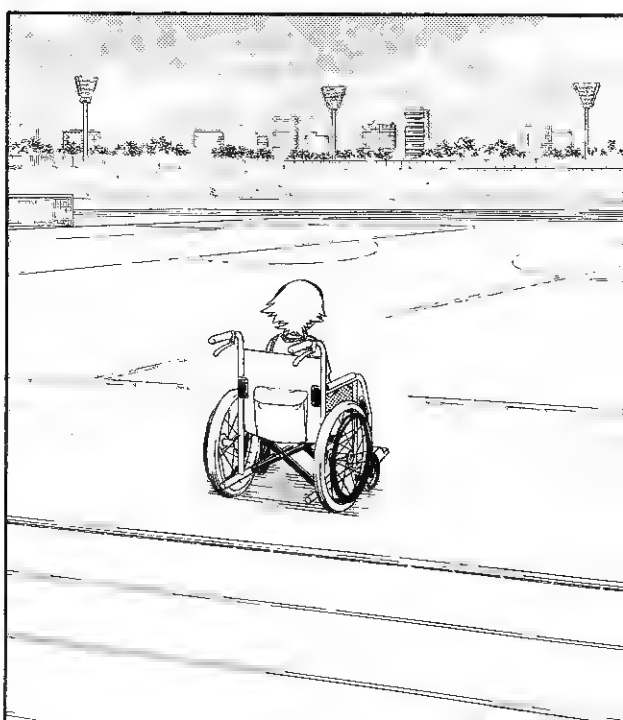
GODAMMIT!!
SHOUTMON!?
. . . . . !
I KNOW THAT, BUT...
BUT...!!
BUT SHOUTMON, YOU KNOW...
IT'S BECAUSE HE'S THAT KIND OF PERSON... THAT HE'S HELPING YOU FULFILL YOUR DREAM, YOU KNOW...?
!!

...
TAIKI ISN'T COMING...



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EH?
WAH!!?
WA-WAIT UP!!
I'LL DEFINITELY BRING TAIKI HERE!
GUESS IT CAN'T BE HELPED... MAYBE I'LL GO HOME FOR TODAY...
WAAAAAAIT JUST A MOMENT!!!

EHHHHH!!?
DOWAAAAAHHHH!!

I BEG YOU!!
PLEASE FORGIVE TAIKI!!!
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HE... HE MIGHT'VE GONE A LITTLE OVERBOARD, BUT HE DIDN'T HAVE ANY BAD INTENTIONS!!
BUT IF YOU DON'T FORGIVE TAIKI, HE WON'T BE ABLE TO MOVE FORWARD...!!
!
YOU... ARE YOU A FRIEND OF TAIKI'S...?
IT WOULDN'T BE A SECRET BASE IF ANYONE COULD JUST FREELY ENTER!!
HERE WE GO ...
THAT'S TRUE ...
THIS WAY!
OOF...
HEY, ISN'T THIS PLACE OFF LIMITS?
CORONAMON! IT'S ME!
AH... WELCOME BACK, SPADAMO!!
!!

HE'S THE GENERAL OF A BIG ARMY AND LEADS THEM TO FIGHT THE BAGRA ARMY IN THE PRESENT DIGITAL WORLD!!
I DON'T REMEMBER SAYING 'BIG' ...
THIS PERSON IS KUDOU TAIKI!
SPADAMON! WE CAN'T ALLOW HUMANS IN...!!
RELAX, CORONAMON!
!
THIS IS OUR MASTER...
OH...?
IT'S RARE OF YOU TO BRING GUESTS, SPADAMON.
MASTER!!
IT'S BEEN OPENED! WE'LL BE ABLE TO RETURN TO THE DIGITAL WORLD TOO!!
EHH!? THAT MEANS THE DIMENSIONAL PATH IS...
HURRY UP, MASTER IS WAITING UPSTAIR!

MASTER! YOUR DIGNITY, DIGNITY!!

IT CAN'T BE HELPED! I'M STILL NOT USED TO BEING CALLED SOME HOLY KNIGHT OR MASTER OR SOMETHING!

! HIS... EYES ARE...!

AH, THIS PLACE ISN'T ACTUALLY THAT CRAMPED... IS IT JUST THAT I'M HUGE? SIGH... I WAS PROUD OF MY BODY GETTING BIGGER, BUT I GUESS IT'S NOT ALL THAT GOOD!

PLEASED TO MEET YOU, HUMAN CHILD!

I APOLOGISE FOR KEEPING YOU IN SUCH A CRAMPED SPACE ALTHOUGH YOU'VE COME ALL THE WAY!

YOU MEAN THESE?

SIGH... ALTHOUGH IT'S AN INJURY I RECEIVED QUITE SOME TIME BACK...

THE MIASMA FROM HIS KATANA STILL PREVENTS IT FROM RECOVERING!

HE'S ULFORCE-V-DRAMON-SAMA, A MEMBER OF THE ROYAL KNIGHTS!!

!

YOU FOUGHT TACTIMON...!?

ONE OF THE THREE COMMANDERS, TACTIMON...!

HE WAS A FEARSOME WARRIOR...!!

THE TWO UNIVERSES CRUSH EACH OTHER TOGETHER WITH THEIR RESPECTIVE GRIEFS...

MOST LIKELY GIVING RISE TO A LONG, GREY ERA WHERE NOT A SINGLE RAY OF LIGHT OR FLAKE OF DARKNESS EXISTS.

ALTHOUGH MANY SOULS WANDER ABOUT, LONGING TO BE PUT TO REST...

THEY WILL JUST BE EATEN BY THE DRAGON, TO FUEL A NEW ERA OF CHAOS...

WHEN THE RED-BLACK TWO-HEADED DRAGON CONQUERS THE SKY..."

LIFE AND DEATH, HEAVEN AND EARTH, EXISTENCE AND NOTHINGNESS, PAST AND FUTURE....

AND FLAMES THAT CONVERT ALL DATA (USEFUL INFORMATION) INTO NOISE (USELESS INFORMATION) WILL COVER THE WORLD.

INDEED!

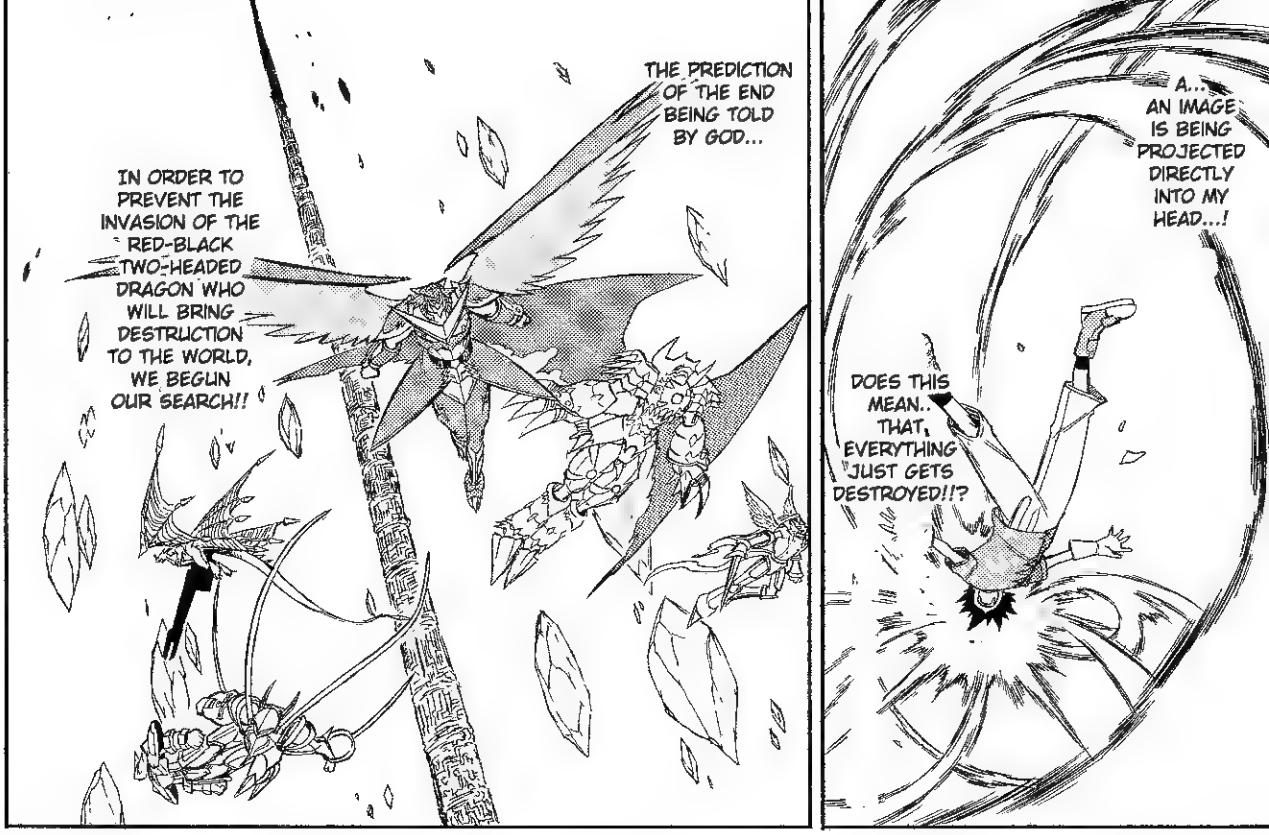
THE APOCALYPTIC BATTLE THAT WAS PREDICTED BY GOD... WITH THAT INITIATION OF HOSTILITIES, WE FOUGHT WITH THE BAGRA ARMY...!!

APOCALYPTIC BATTLE...!!?

ONCE UPON A TIME, THE 'GOD' THAT WE ROYAL KNIGHTS SERVED...

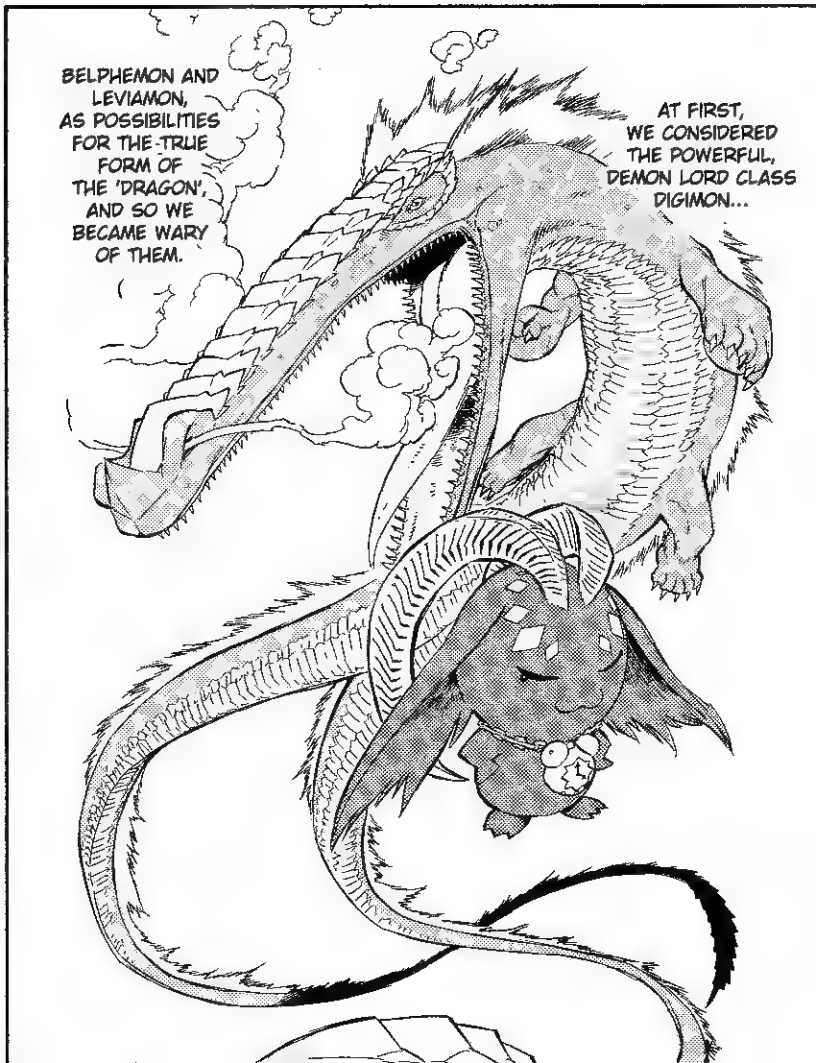
'THE ONE WHO WISHES FOR THE STABILITY OF THE DIGITAL WORLD' MADE A SINISTER PREDICTION.

IT GOES LIKE THIS...


THE PREDICTION OF THE END BEING TOLD BY GOD...
IN ORDER TO PREVENT THE INVASION OF THE RED-BLACK TWO-HEADED DRAGON WHO WILL BRING DESTRUCTION TO THE WORLD, WE BEGUN OUR SEARCH!!
A... AN IMAGE IS BEING PROJECTED DIRECTLY INTO MY HEAD...!
DOES THIS MEAN.. THAT, EVERYTHING JUST GETS DESTROYED!!?

HOWEVER, THEY ONLY OBSERVED THE SITUATION AND DID NOT MAKE A MOVE...
JUST WHEN WE THOUGHT OUR SEARCH REACHED A STALEMATE...

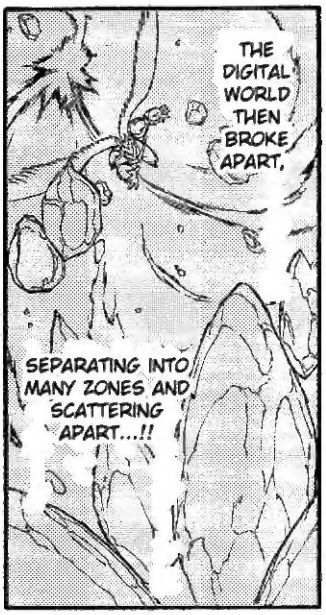
ALL OF A SUDDEN, THEIR INVASION BEGAN...!!

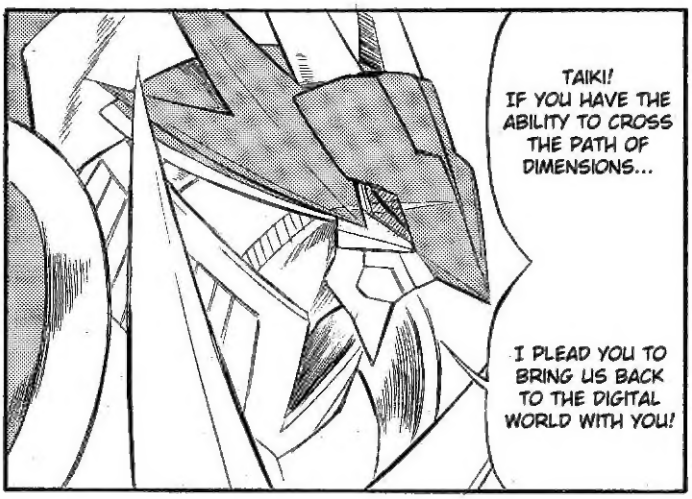

BELPHEMON AND LEVIAMON, AS POSSIBILITIES FOR THE TRUE FORM OF THE 'DRAGON', AND SO WE BECAME WARY OF THEM.
AT FIRST, WE CONSIDERED THE POWERFUL, DEMON LORD CLASS DIGIMON...

WE WERE CONFUSED!! BECAUSE WE HAD NO IDEA SINCE WHEN HE HAD FORMED SUCH A LARGE ARMY...!
A GREAT ANGEL WHO WE THOUGHT TO BE DEAD AFTER HE ONCE REBELLED AGAINST GOD AND GOT HALF OF HIS BODY BURNT DUE TO THE THUNDER OF JUDGEMENT...
THE TOP BRASS AMONG THEM, KNOWN AS THE THREE COMMANDERS, WERE ALSO BEYOND OUR EXPECTATIONS...
LED A HUGE ARMY TO ATTACK THE GOD'S WORLD UNDER THE NAME OF EMPEROR BAGRAMON!
A DEMON LORD CLASS DIGIMON WHO ONLY MOVES FOR HER MOMENTARY GOALS.
AND WHO WE LEFT OUT OF OUR SURVEILLANCE NETWORK...
LILITHMON.
ALTHOUGH HE WAS FEARED FOR BEING AKIN TO A NATURAL DISASTER IN THE NORTHERN MOUNTAINS...
WE THOUGHT HE WOULDN'T JOIN ANY FORCES DUE TO HIS FICKLENESS...
BLASTMON.
THE BAGRA ARMY!!

HE WAS TOO STRONG...!
WE FOUGHT AND LOST TO HIM...
ALTHOUGH PART OF IT WAS BECAUSE HE ORGANISED SUCH A BIG-SCALE ASSAULT THAT WE COULD NOT FIGHT BACK AGAINST, ABOVE ALL...

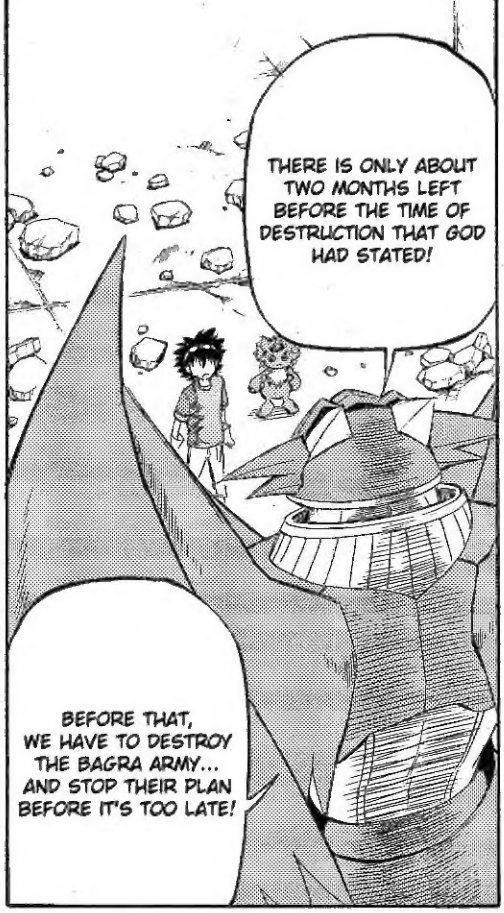
EVEN NOW, I HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY NEWS FROM MY COMRADES...
WE GOT INVOLVED IN THAT, SENDING US FLYING TO THE HUMAN WORLD AND CAUSED US TO BE UNABLE TO RETURN.


THE DIGITAL WORLD THEN BROKE APART,
SEPARATING INTO MANY ZONES AND SCATTERING APART...!!


TAIKI! IF YOU HAVE THE ABILITY TO CROSS THE PATH OF DIMENSIONS...
I PLEAD YOU TO BRING US BACK TO THE DIGITAL WORLD WITH YOU!

AND...! A MYSTERIOUS DEMON MAN WHO POSSESSES BOTH POWER AND INGENUITY RIVALING... OR EVEN SURPASSING THE TWO,
BUT WHOSE NAME HAD NOT YET APPEARED ONCE IN THE HISTORY OF THE DIGITAL WORLD...
TACTIMON!!

DON'T TELL ME!?


THERE IS ONLY ABOUT TWO MONTHS LEFT BEFORE THE TIME OF DESTRUCTION THAT GOD HAD STATED!
BEFORE THAT, WE HAVE TO DESTROY THE BAGRA ARMY... AND STOP THEIR PLAN BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!

...!?
TWO MONTHS...
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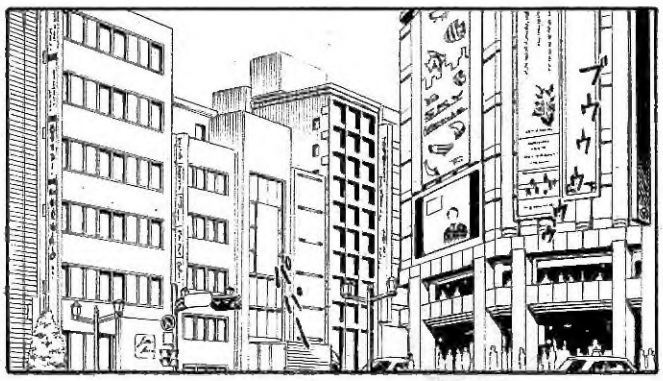
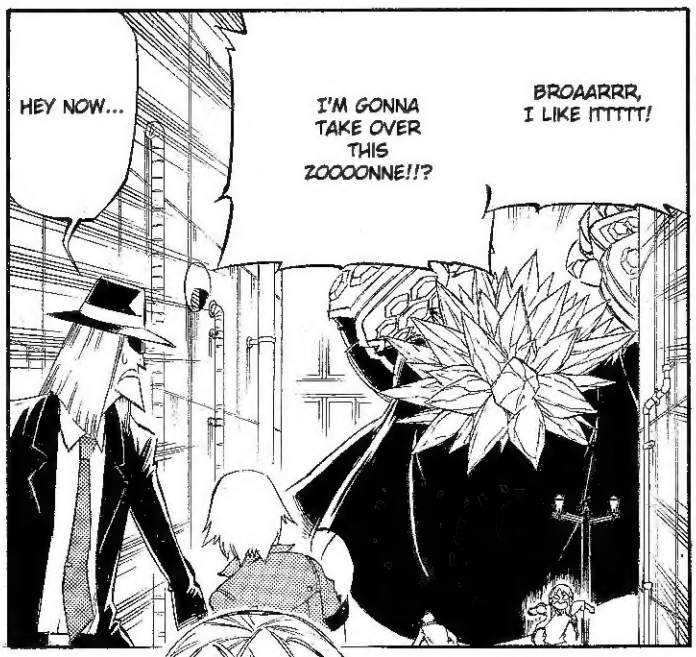
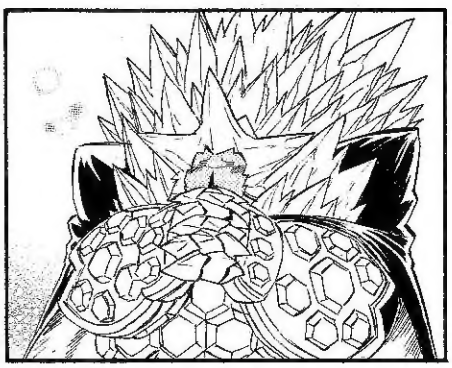


BRA
ARGH
!!!!!

WHAAAAT'S UP WITH THIS RUBY!?
ISN'T IT A BIT SMAAAAALLLL!!?
THAT IS BECAUSE IT'S BEEN DILIGENTLY POLISHED AND CUT, BLASTMON-SAMA!
I GUARANTEE YOU THAT IT WILL TASTE SUPERB!!


HEY NOW...
I'M GONNA TAKE OVER THIS ZOOOONNE!!?
BROAARRR, I LIKE ITTTT!

HMMM?



HOWEVER ...
I FEEL LIKE GOING ON A LITTLE RAMPAGE AS A DISTRACTION...!!
*A SUPERPOWER-CLASS STORM HAS ARRIVED!!!

WHY IS ONE OF THE THREE COMMANDERS WALKING AROUND IN THE HUMAN WORLD...!
WHAT'RE YOU GONNA DO KIRIHA, FIGHT HIM RIGHT!? OF COURSE WE'RE GONNA FIGHT HIM, RIGHT!!?
I LEFT A GOOD HALF OF MY ARMY BACK IN THE DIGITAL WORLD YOU KNOW! I WASN'T PLANNING TO HAVE TO FIGHT SUCH A BIG-SHOT LIKE HIM RIGHT NOW...